WELCOME TO WEEK 4

A compliment to the P & C for a productive and informative meeting on Tuesday night. It is a great opportunity for parent/carers to be part of finding out what will be happening and to receive feedback about what has happened. It is great to see such interested parents/carers working together with our staff. Our final meeting for the year will be held on Tuesday 24th November at the Imperial Hotel so that we can celebrate our 2015 achievements. At this meeting we also hope to come up with ideas for a P & C fundraising activity for each term in 2016. Do you have a great idea to share with us - Family Bush Dance? Car Boot Sale? LipSync night? Spring Fair? to name a few. Further information will be provided closer to the date about this meeting/dinner but new members are also welcome.

Thank you to Mrs Gasson for representing BCS at a Transition Advisers Conference in Sydney last week and Mr and Mrs Hansen for assembling a BCS Positive Behaviour for Learning Expo at Tamworth last Friday. Mr Hansen also gave a presentation of our school’s PBL merit and demerit system. The outcome of the expo was very successful for our school as we have now been invited to assist with the setting up of such systems in some of our regional primary and secondary schools. Merit awards go to Mr and Mrs Hansen for this positive promotion of our school.

Statements of outstanding accounts which include our P & C Levy and any other associated costs i.e. Food & Technology will be sent out to our families if your account is still outstanding. Payment of your accounts would be appreciated as soon as possible. Thank you to our families who have paid their accounts for the year.

This week at school and in our community is a big week supporting fundraisers for cancer. National Bandanna Day, which is CanTeen’s largest fundraiser, will be celebrated this Friday 30th October. Thank you to Mrs Craddock and the SRC who have been selling bandannas everyday this week. Bandannas can be worn to school but do not replace sun hats. What bandanna style can you come up with? A Pink Ribbon breakfast will also be held at the Imperial Hotel tomorrow morning and it looks like it will be a bright event to attend. So it is a good opportunity for our school community to get involved and support people who are affected by cancer and their cancer journey.

Don’t forget our school website is continuously being uploaded with current letters, forms and permission notes. So if your child has ‘lost’ any notes or it just ‘doesn't come home’, copies and information you may be looking for is now at your fingertips.

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Eva and Eleanor supporting CanTeen with their bandannas in front of the schools ‘Pink Ribbon’
**Inverell Cricket**
Well done to our students who went to Inverell yesterday to play cricket. It was a very successful day and we would like to thank Mr McGowan and Mr Lennon for supervising the students on the day.

**Year 8 into 9 Subject Selection**
Due to unforeseen circumstances, the subject selection evening planned for yesterday afternoon had to be cancelled. Instead, students in Year 8 will be given a handbook outlining subjects available next year for electives and the RoSA process will be explained to them. Invitations will be handed out for individual interviews with students, parents and teachers to help students decide the best education path for their future.

**Science in the Bush**
Notes were handed out last week for students to attend *Science in the Bush* in Armidale next week. Students need to hand in their permission notes tomorrow in order to go.

**Super Faculty Meeting**
Once again, staff from BCS will be travelling to Warralda High School next Tuesday to have a Super Faculty Meeting. The aim of these meetings is to provide an opportunity for staff to share ideas and experiences to help boost education opportunities for students in both schools.

**Yearly Examinations**
Yearly examinations will be held next week. A timetable will be given to students shortly. Students need to be revising their work and talking with their teachers in order to prepare themselves for this very important time.

**Leather Shoes**
Students are still choosing to wear joggers and canvas shoes to school. As part of the Department of Education’s Workplace Health and Safety policy, students are not permitted to enter practical classrooms such as the science lab, metalwork room, art room and woodwork room due to safety concerns. Please ensure your child is prepared for school and wearing the correct footwear.

**Hospitality Courses**
Mrs Gasson has organised some courses for students from Stage 5 and Stage 6 to attend at the Community College. Today, students attended the Safe Food Handling course, which will help increase their skills in the food service industry. In the future, students will be completing a Customer Service course as well as a Barista course. Thankyou Mrs Gasson and the Community College for providing this fantastic opportunity.

**Attendance**
We remind parents that students are legally required to attend school every day. If you child is absent from school, please send a note in to school explaining the absence as soon as they return. If the absence is planned, please notify the school in advance so it can be marked as leave.

**Merit Awards**
Congratulations to all of our students who received awards at the whole school assembly today.

**PBL on Show**
Last Friday, Mr Hansen travelled to Tamworth to attend *PBL on Show*. Schools from different regions displayed and discussed their PBL procedures and shared their knowledge and experiences of how PBL works in their schools. Mr Hansen demonstrated how PBL works in our school and many other schools were suitably impressed. We also gained some ideas that the school’s PBL team is now investigating to put into place at BCS.

**VALID-8**
Students in Year 8 will be completing the VALID-8 Science assessment during week 6. A letter explaining the assessment was handed out last week. Please ensure that your child has a pair of headphones or earphones during this time in order to complete the assessment. If you did not receive the letter, please contact the school.

Scot Crispin & Gary Hansen
Head Teachers
GRIP LEADERSHIP Conference

This was held at Tamworth Town Hall, Wednesday 28th of October. Three students attended, those that have expressed interest in running for Stage 6 SRC positions, to be voted on later this term. Crystal Cooper, Jorjah Coss and Nikita Frazer attended workshops on: Being a Team that Contributes, Making Meetings Effective, Contributing to your Leadership Team and Making your Events and Speeches Dynamic. It was a dynamic and interesting course, apart from a flat tyre on the way down we all had a great day.

Mrs Marshall
SUPER 8’s CRICKET IN INVERELL -
Open boys and Under 14’s Girls
Students enjoyed an introduction to cricket as part of a carnival day to promote the sport. The other schools attending were Guyra, Walcha and Ashford.
Year 6 Shirts
Students in Year 6 received a note to pre-order a Year 6 shirt. Money and size requests needed to be returned last Monday. The order has been placed. Please contact Miss McIntyre if you have any further enquires.

Sport: Swimming
All students in 3-6 will continue swimming for sport for the remainder of the term. Students have been graded by the AustSwim trained teacher and will work on water safety and stroke development. Students need to bring $3.50 for pool entry each week. Please remind students to pack swimming clothes in a separate bag with a towel, goggles, sunscreen and anything else they require at the pool.

Kindergarten Orientation
Preschool children will have their 2nd orientation at 'Big School' this Friday 30th October from 12.00-2.00pm.

Combined Scripture
Rev. David Swan will provide a combined scripture seminar this Friday 30th October at 11.30am. All students are invited to attend. A flyer will arrive home shortly outlining the content of the program. Please contact the school if you do not want your child to attend.

Healthy Harold
The Life Education Van will be at Bingara Central School from Monday 2nd to Wednesday the 4th November. Permission notes were sent home last week. All notes and $6 per student is to be returned by Friday 29th October. The note can also be found on the school website.

Crossing Bridges School Performance
Students in K-6 will watch the Crossing Bridges performance on Tuesday 10th November at 2pm. The cost is $5.50 per student.

Alison Johnson & Simone McIntyre
Assistant Principals

REM I N D E R:
All school uniform orders need to be in by tomorrow, along with payment. No more orders will be submitted until the end of Term 1 2016.
**CANTEEN ROSTER**

**OCTOBER**

**Friday 30**  
Susie Bilsborough

**NOVEMBER**

**Monday 2**  
Robin Robertson

**Tuesday 3**  
Liz Kakoschke

**Wednesday 4**  
Julie Drysdale

**Thursday 5**  
Pam Richards

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**BINGARA SWIMMING CLUB**

Swimming Club commenced this week at the Bingara Swimming Pool and the following information will help you understand a little more about its structure this year.

Elita Ayre will be facilitating swimming squad on a Tuesday and Wednesday from 4.45pm. For a child to be able to participate in squad they must be able to swim 2 lengths of freestyle, breaststroke and backstroke. Each child will be assessed by Elita and put into a squad that suits their ability. Final times for these squads will be decided shortly once numbers of children are obtained. For those children who are not yet able to meet these requirements, but who can swim, Elita is eager to get your child to the required level as soon as possible with lessons which will be available Tuesdays - Fridays. Elita is also holding swimming lessons for learn to swim children so for any booking of these lessons please contact Nicole Dixon on 0427 241 103 as she has the timetable and will be able to see where your child can be slotted in. All swimming lessons, not squad will cost $10 per child.

The Bingara Swimming Club AGM will be held this afternoon at 3.30pm at the Imperial Hotel. Please come along and show your support to get the club up and running for the season. Membership fees for the season will be a topic of discussion this afternoon along with a club night, which is looking to be held in a Thursday afternoon. Once a child is a member of the swimming club they will be able to participate in swimming meets. There is a terrific meet in Glen Innes on Sunday 29 November which is a great starting points for kids and a good introduction to swimming carnivals. Children can nominate which events they would like to participate in and all this information will be available on the first club night.

Please join the Bingara Swimming Club Facebook page to keep updated on everything that is going on. If you would prefer to be updated by email, please let a committee member know. For any further information please contact Bez Dixon on 0428 539 817 or Nicole Dixon on 0427 241 103.

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**OCTOBER**

30 Last day for School uniform orders

30 Preschool transition 12noon-2.00pm

30 Special Scripture Presentation (if you do not wish for your child to attend please let us know if you have already done so)

**NOVEMBER**

2-4 Life Education Van

4 Kindergarten 2016 Parents Information evening 5.30pm

10 Crossing Bridges K-7 $5.50

12 Whole School Assembly 3/4 performing 11.30am

13 Preschool transition 8.35am-11.25am

13 Year 12 Formal - Invitation only

17 P & C Meeting 5pm in Library

26 Whole School Assembly Secondary performing 11.30am

27 Pre School Transition 8.35am-3.05pm

**DECEMBER**

4 School reports home

14 Presentation Night

15 K-2 Presentation

16 Last day of school for all students
Saturday 31st October

6:00pm: **Bush Dance**
Anglican Church Lawn
Finch Street, Bingara
(In hall if raining)
BBQ and Drinks available
Featuring
“Paterson’s Curse”
Free
All Welcome!

Friday 30th October

3:15pm **Special Kids Club**

Come and join in the fun with our special guests from Gunnedah for fun, games, food and good news about Jesus. This is a once only special Friday session of kids club (No kid’s club on Thursday) Open to all primary aged kids. David Swan for more info 6724 1668